

Amendment
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/546,932

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, lines 12 – 20 with the following amended paragraph:

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--This application claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of (i) U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/128,880 (Att. Dkt. No. DIGIP001P), filed April 12, 1999 and entitled "Image Data Markup Language" and (ii) U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/172,349 (Att. Dkt. No. DIGIP008P), filed December 16, 1999 and entitled "Techniques for Acquiring a Parent Digital Image (Digital Negative) From Any of a Plurality of Multiply Modified Child Digital Images". This application is also related to co-pending U.S. Application No. [[_____]] 09/547,185 (Att. Dkt. No. DIGIP011) entitled, "Techniques for Distributed Processing of a Digital Image" filed concurrently and incorporated by reference in its entirety.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10, lines 6 – 12 with the following amended paragraph:

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--Based on the editing operation, the software application may ~~requires~~ require a much smaller number of pixels from the digital negative if the editing operation can be performed in a resolution-independent manner. However, for cases in which the editing operation is not resolution-independent, the software performing the operation may choose to access more pixels from the digital negative for the editing operation, but resample (reduce

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, 'd the number of pixel in) the output image after the editing operations have been performed,
thus resulting in smaller resultant proxy image.--
